

RIARA SCHOOL OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS & DIPLOMACY NURTURING INNOVATORS SEPTEMBER – DECEMBER 2019 TRIMESTER EXAMINATIONS FOR BACHELOR OF ARTS IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS & DIPLOMACY DAY / EVENING PROGRAMME RIR 216 -REGIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND INTERGRATION

DATE: 13TH DECEMBER 2019

TIME: 2 HOURS

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

Students are NOT permitted to write on the examination paper during reading time.

This is a closed book examination. Text book/Reference books/notes are not permitted.

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. Write your REGISTRATION NO. Clearly on the answer booklet(s).
- 2. Answer Question One and ANY other TWO questions from section B and C.
- 3. Questions in all sections should be answered in answer booklet(s).
- 4. Marks allocated to each question are shown at the end of the question.
- 5. PLEASE start the answer to EACH question on a NEW PAGE.
- 6. For the questions, write the number of the question on the answer booklet(s) in the order you answered them.
- 7. Write your answers in paragraph form unless stated otherwise.
- 8. Keep your phone(s) SWITCHED OFF at the front of the examination room.
- 9. Keep ALL bags and caps at the front of the examination room and do not refer to any unauthorized material before or during the course of the examination.
- 10. You are only allowed to leave the examination room 30minutes to the end of the Examination.

SECTION A: (COMPULSORY 30 MARKS)

QUESTION ONE:

- a) Regional organizations have an important role to play in the achievement of the United Nations global goals. Explain any FIVE (10 marks)
- b) The debate surrounding regionalism and universalism reflects the old dilemma between globalization and sovereignty. Discuss (10 marks)
- c) East Africa Community (EAC) is one of the fastest growing regional blocs. DRC & Somalia have shown interest to join it. Explain Five benefits that the bloc will achieve by accepting The two states. (10marks)

SECTION B (ANSWER ANY ONE QUESTION - 20 MARKS)

QUESTION TWO:

- a) While IGAD has achieved progress in regional cooperation under complex conditions, critics say the bloc has had more failures than achievements in conflict prevention. Discuss. (10 marks)
- b) Although formed in response to the exigencies of the developing Cold War, NATO remains the largest peacetime military alliance in the world. Explain FIVE factors that have led to its success. (10 marks)

QUESTION THREE

- a) ICTs are the engines driving cross-border communications and interactions that promote coordinated efforts of integration and intra-regional trade. Discuss (10marks)
- b) There are many reasons behind weak implementation in Africa's regional integrations schemes; However, African Union (AU) has made considerable efforts. With relevant examples, Explain (10 marks)

SECTION C (ANSWER ANY ONE QUESTION - 20 MARKS) QUESTION FOUR.

- a) Early theories of regionalism were almost entirely Euro-centric, Discuss any **FIVE** that are still influential today (10 marks)
- b) ECOWAS is a less than perfect regional organization, but it has made considerable progress. Discuss (10 marks)

QUESTION FIVE

- a) On May 30th,2019, the African Continental Free Trade Agreement (AfCFTA) officially went into force. Explain any FOUR main objectives of this regional bloc. (**10 marks**)
- b) The EU has delivered more than half a century of peace, stability and prosperity, helped raise living standards and launched a single European currency: the euro. But, The EU is facing challenges. Discuss (10 marks)